

UNPUBLISHED

**UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS
FOR THE FOURTH CIRCUIT**

No. 19-1781

TIMOTHY OMAR HANKINS, SR.,

Debtor - Appellant,

v.

SARDIA PORTER-HANKINS, a/k/a Sardia Marie Porter-Hankins,

Creditor - Appellee,

NICHOLAS C. BROWN,

Trustee.

Appeal from the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Carolina, at Raleigh. Louise W. Flanagan, District Judge. (5:19-cv-00158-FL)

Submitted: November 19, 2019

Decided: November 21, 2019

Before WILKINSON and RICHARDSON, Circuit Judges, and TRAXLER, Senior Circuit Judge.

Affirmed by unpublished per curiam opinion.

Timothy Omar Hankins, Sr., Appellant Pro Se.

Unpublished opinions are not binding precedent in this circuit.

PER CURIAM:

Timothy Omar Hankins, Sr., appeals from the district court's order dismissing his appeal from the bankruptcy court's dismissal of his bankruptcy proceeding. On appeal, we confine our review to the issues raised in the Appellant's brief. *See* 4th Cir. R. 34(b). Because Hankins' informal brief does not challenge the basis for the district court's disposition, Hankins has forfeited appellate review of the court's order. *See Jackson v. Lightsey*, 775 F.3d 170, 177 (4th Cir. 2014) ("The informal brief is an important document; under Fourth Circuit rules, our review is limited to issues preserved in that brief."). Accordingly, we grant leave to proceed in forma pauperis and affirm the district court's judgment. We dispense with oral argument because the facts and legal contentions are adequately presented in the materials before this court and argument would not aid the decisional process.

AFFIRMED